

REMARKS

Claims 1-19 are pending in this application.

Applicant has amended claims 1, 2, 4, 5, and 7-14. The changes to these claims made herein do not introduce any new matter.

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's prompt allowance of claims 16-19 and the Examiner's prompt indication that claims 1-15 define allowable subject matter. Applicant's responses to the section 112 issues raised in the Office Action are set forth in the following discussion.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the rejection of claims 1-15 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Applicant has amended the claims to address the indefiniteness issues cited by the Examiner. In addition, Applicant has made other minor changes to the claims to clarify the claimed subject matter. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-15, as amended herein, satisfy the definiteness requirement of 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, and requests that the rejection of these claims thereunder be withdrawn.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and reexamination of claims 1-15, as amended herein, and submits that these claims, together with allowed claims 16-19, are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, a notice of allowance is respectfully requested. In the event a telephone conversation would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may reach the undersigned at **(408) 749-6902**. If any additional fees are due in connection with the filing of this paper, then the

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Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. MIPFP069).

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